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1. [] Hand-carried to David Martin, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, three documents on Soviet intelligence activities which had been provided us by []

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I queried Martin about the [] letters which I had talked to Sourwine about yesterday and he said they were holding up on these for the moment.

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2. [] Left with Bill Woodruff, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, copies of the President's memorandum of 5 November 1971 and the President's letter to the Director.

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3. [] Checked with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, on final arrangements for the Director's briefing of the full Committee tomorrow at 10 a.m.

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4. [] Conferees met in Executive Session to resolve the difference between the Senate and House-passed versions of S. 18 authorizing funds for grants for Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty for FY 1972. ~~Conferees did not reach final agreement and recessed~~ subject to call. [] have been advised.

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5. [] Talked to Jack Ticer, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, who asked for information on which members of their staff had attended previous briefings by the Director. After checking the files, we provided this information. Mr. Ticer assured me there was no intention of making a transcript of the Director's testimony tomorrow.

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6. [] Called John Lehman, of the White House staff, requesting clarification of certain items on the Legislative Inter-departmental Group agenda for this afternoon which might concern the Agency. I also told him I thought it a good idea to include at this and similar meetings representatives of the Office of Management and Budget, to which he agreed.

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7. [] Senator Ernest Hollings called to say he wanted a first-class briefing on Bangladesh. After checking with the Director and Dick Lehman, I called back to confirm that [] would come over to brief the Senator at 4:00 p.m. today.

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8. [] Called Thad Murray, in the office of Senator William B. Spong, to say we had checked with [] and examined all available records at Headquarters, but could find no evidence that the Agency had ever employed [] who claimed we owed her compensation for language instruction.

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9. [] Attended a meeting of the Legislative Interdepartmental Group in the White House. See Memo for Record.

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10. [] Called Irving Kator, Assistant Executive Director, Civil Service Commission, to learn what future action they propose to take affecting our interest on S. 2515, Equal Employment Opportunities Enforcement Act (see Memorandum for the Record).

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11. [] In his absence from the office, left a message for Jim Wilkinson, Office of Management and Budget, that the Agency's views on State's proposed report on the Symington select committee proposal, S. Res. 192, would be on its way shortly.

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12. [] Diana Dillon, in the office of Representative Edward P. Boland (D., Mass.), called and stated four letters had been received from constituents strongly reacting to the recent article in Parade Magazine that CIA was engaged in assassinations in Vietnam. Miss Dillon stated that based on the reaction, she will undoubtedly receive a number of other letters. She considered the article "yellow journalism" and requested whether the Agency was making a public denial. I stated our general policy of not commenting to allegations made in the press; however, there was certain information which I would discuss with her to assist in the preparation of a reply to the constituents.

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13. [redacted] Miss Peggy Bell, in the office of Senator Ernest F. Hollings (D., S.C.), called in behalf of a lawyer in Sumpter, S.C., who is a close friend of Senator Hollings. The lawyer is representing the divorced wife of an Agency employee who has not made alimony payments for the past eight months. The lawyer was given the number of the employee's office and called desiring to speak to the employee's supervisor in order to pressure the employee to make his alimony payments. Whoever talked to the lawyer refused. Miss Bell queried whether the Agency could in any way put pressure on the employee. This matter was discussed with [redacted] in the Office of Personnel. He stated that no action could be taken unless a letter was written by the lawyer setting forth these circumstances and suggested that the lawyer be requested to do so. I subsequently informed Miss Bell accordingly and furnished the address to which the letter would be sent. She stated she would advise the lawyer and was very appreciative of our efforts.

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14. [redacted] Accompanied [redacted] to a briefing of Senator Ernest Hollings (D., S.C.) on the situation in India and Pakistan. The briefing went very well and it was obvious that Senator Hollings was impressed with [redacted] knowledge about this area and the recent developments there. Senator Hollings has serious questions about the Administration's approach to the Bangladesh problem and attempted to raise some of these policy questions with [redacted] successfully sidestepped these policy issues.

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